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Appomattox vote follows state's lead

Voters in Appomattox County reflected the preference of voters statewide in last Tuesday's election for governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General.

Here as in the state as a whole, the Democratic Party ticket swept the election, and Charles S. Robb, Richard J. Davis, and Gerald Bailles were elected to the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General, respectively.

Voter turnout was heavy in Appomattox County, with 3,727 casting ballots in the gubernatorial election, 3-504 voting in the election for the Lieutenant Governor's office, and 3,472 voting in the Attorney General's election.

In Appomattox County, Charles S. Robb defeated Republican candidate J. Marshall Coleman, Robb garnering a total of 2,234 votes to Coleman's 1,493. Davis defeated Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Nathan Miller, receiving 2,039 votes to Miller's 1,465. Gerald Bailles defeated Republican candidate for Attorney General Wyatt Durrette, receiving 1,990 votes to Durrette's 1,482.

House of Delegates incumbent, Claude Anderson, ran unopposed and was re-elected to his seat in the house, receiving 2,410 votes.

Dr. R. Lawson, running unopposed for re-election to his seat on the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors, was re-elected, 885 voted from the two precincts he represents, Courthouse and Chap.

In the other local election on last Tuesday's ballot, a referendum on changing the method in which school board members are appointed passed, with 2,439 voters in favor of the change, and 432 voters opposed.

Under the new method of appointing school board members, the Board of Supervisors make the appointments. The old method featured a School Board Election Commission which made school board appointments, and was in turn appointed by the Circuit Court Judge.

A HOME IN THE CHAP COMMUNITY was totally destroyed by fire on Monday morning, November 9, at approximately 7:45. It is believed the fire started in the rear of the house and spread rapidly in spite of efforts of the Appomattox Volunteer Fire Department who responded promptly to the call. The three-family residence was owned by Florence Eames. (Photo by Allen Austin)

Sale seems certain for cable system

Appomattox Town Councilmen learned Monday night that a tentative agreement has been made for sale of the Arco Cablevision franchise.

Vic Bosiger, of Vikas Communications, told the Council members that Lynchburg Independent Broadcasting, Inc., a division of Bahakel Broadcasting, has signed a tentative agreement with Arco, Inc. for sale of the Appomattox cable television system.

"All systems are go," Bosiger told the Council. "All that remain now is for details (of the sale) to be worked out," he added.

Among those details, according to Bosiger, are revisions of the franchise agreement with the town of Appomattox.

Mayor Ronald C. Spiggle explained that in a recent meeting with representatives of Lynchburg Independent Broadcasting, Inc., the firm expressed the desire to increase the monthly fee slightly and to alter the system's channel package.

In addition, the firm's representatives said they would rather the town not be directly involved in establishing the rate structure.

Councilman Dick Bass noted that he felt the town should have a say in th rate structure. "There have to be some controls," he said.

Bosiger said that Bahakel Broadcasting is a "financially strong, solvent corporation." He said the parent company owns 17 radio and television stations in the country, including WWOD and WKZZ in Lynchburg.

"Everything is ready to go once we get the details worked out," Bosiger said. He asked a delay and received it in the expiration of the Arco franchise, so that the two firms can finalize the details of the sale.

Arco, Inc., a Pennsylvania-based cable television firm, has been under criticism in the past year for its failure to comply with stipulations in its franchise.

The town council earlier this week voted to take the franchise from Arco when it expired. Extensions in the expiration date have been granted in order to allow the firm time to find a buyer.

Volunteer firemen recognized

Mayor Ronald C. Spiggle has designated the month of November as "Volunteer Firemen's Month" and with this designation grants authority to James Ford, Jr. and Paul Drinkard to collect donations for the Appomattox County Volunteer Firemen.

The volunteer firemen, concerned with the welfare of their fellow citizens and the community as a whole contribute long hours in community service with no monetary compensation.

Donations collected during the November campaign will be used as a gift of cash to each member of the volunteer firemen crew. The presentation will be made when the Town of Appomattox entertains the firemen at the annual dinner.

Local man finds better way of life through running

By FRANCES H. PAULETTE

"Run, Ray, run for your life....." a small voice seemed to be saying, and Ray Lukehart, extremely overweight, hooked on prescription drugs and an alcoholic, realized that time was running out for him and if there was going to be a future for him, he would have to do something and do it in a hurry; drastic changes would have to be made.

Ray began to make some changes, he began to run and he has found a new life.

"Beautiful, it's beautiful," said Ray of the way he feels now. "If my story can help another human being to a better way of life, then I want to tell it," he added.

On October 24, Ray ran the Richmond Marathon, 26.2 miles in three hours and 47 minutes. On November 13 he will run the Marine Corp "Toys For Tots" run in Lynchburg, a distance of 50 miles. And, "the most amazing thing about Ray's running," commented Robert Pankey, an outstanding local runner who runs with Ray, "he didn't begin to train or run until January of this year. For a man who had no health problems, what he has accomplished would be outstanding, but with all his problems, his achievement has been almost unbelievable."

Today, Ray literally 'runs for his life'. But, before he reached where he is today a lot of things happened. Conditions got worse before they got better. It wasn't easy but he did it!

Born and reared in Pennsylvania, Ray thought he had a "just about perfect childhood."

"My dad was a big shot at the plant where he worked, plenty of influential friends. Everything seemed fine," said Lukehart. "But something was wrong somewhere along the line something went wrong; it happened to Ray and it can happen to anyone.

Although Lukehart had a brother and sister, he was often overcome with a feeling of loneliness. He began drinking at an early age.

"I'd go off by myself and drink, drink, drink! My dad made wine at home and I would sneak some and put it in a bottle and take it to school. I began doing this as early as the sixth grade," commented Ray.

Even though he attended school on a fairly regular basis, Ray had absolutely no desire to learn. All he wanted to do was drink. He would be kept in a grade for three years and then would be 'passed.' His drinking became heavier and after a time he left school and enlisted in a branch of the armed forces.

The scene changed but the drinking continued, getting progressively worse. After two years Ray was out of the service.

In 1965 Ray got married; he loved his wife dearly but even that love and encouragement couldn't help his drinking problem.

"My wife has been incredibly understanding. She has stuck by me even though at times it meant carrying a heavy burden," commented Ray.

"Although I had been an alcoholic since age 14, and things were really bad, it was in 1968 that things really got so much worse.

"In addition to the problems I already had, a sad family occurance caused my nerves to go bad and within a few months I was unemployed," said Ray remembering the hardships of those years. An automobile accident left him with a permanently damaged back, and he began to overeat.

"I was fat, almost three hundred pounds, nervous, an alcoholic, and unemployed; I remained that way until 1980," said Ray.

"I moved to Virginia in 1976," continued Lukehart," and I can't really explain why, but I began to fight my problems when I moved to Appomattox County. I began to really try. The people are so much friendlier and living just seems to be different. I began seeing a doctor and he began prescribing drugs that I had come to depend on so heavily. Those tranqualizers were as necessary to me as breathing."

"The fight to quit alcohol was the hardest thing I have ever done," revealed Lukehart of his struggle with the problem of alcohol. "The withdrawal symptoms were terrible. I got help from all sides for a couple of years, but I finally realized that ALL the doctors, family or anyone else couldn't help me until I was convinced that I wanted to help myself. It was the hardest thing I have ever had to do."

"It was beautiful, really beautiful," commented Ray of the feeling he had after going a whole week without a drink.

"It was along about this time that I realized I really could handle my problems, the alcohol, the drugs, the cigarettes, and everything else," said Lukehart.

"I had panic attacks," said Ray "And they were unbelievably frightening. But, I thought, with the right diet, vitamins, rest, and plenty of sleep and running and a lot of prayers I would we well again."

When Lukehart started to run his heart began to give him a lot of trouble. He saw his doctor and he told Lukehart not to run, but in spite of his doctors warning, he kept trying to run. His heart would "run out of rhythm" and he would get cramps in his chest. He decided to listen to his body and not to the doctor. He kept running but when he had the cramping sensation he would rest for a time. His nervous condiction got better.

"I knew I was getting better and stronger and went back to the doctor. He did another EKG and stress test and said, 'I don't know why, but it seems like it's O.K. for you to run now.' What the doctor didn't know was that I had never stopped running!" commented Lukehart.

"The spring following my recovery I couldn't believe how pretty things were....the flowers, trees, grass," smiled Ray. Since I was living a healthy, healthy life, I worked around the house and after the children went to school I would run. I finally got to running 60 miles each week. Today I am a full time student at Central Virginia Community College in Lynchburg."

"The thing that sets Ray apart," commented Robert Pankey, "is his determination. Even with all his hardships, he is the most determined man I have ever seen. He is an inspiration to me; he would not give up and what he has accomplished is incredible."

"What I have done," commented Lukehart is go from "waste" to being in good shape. I am really proud to be running with men like Robert Pankey and Steve Boseman. And too, I've wanted to tell this story for a long time. Anyone can overcome a problem if they want to, I really believe that," he concluded.

Ray Lukehart has five good reasons for keeping fit, a devoted wife, Anne, two daughters, Carol and Debbie, and two sons, Raymond and Thomas.

Keep running Ray!!

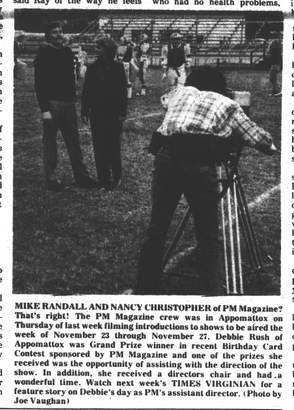
Ray Lukehart, today, "runs for his life!"

Clerk's office open Saturday

The County Clerk's office will be open this Saturday (Nov. 14) from 9 a.m. to noon, for the purpose of selling state hunting licenses only.

Barbara Williams, clerk of the court, says that small-game licenses cost $7.50, and deer-bear-turkey stamps cost $7.50.

Williams says the clerk's office will be open this Saturday because deer season starts Monday (Nov. 16).



MIKE RANDALL AND NANCY CHRISTOPHER of PM Magazine? That's right! The PM Magazine crew was in Appomattox on Thursday of last week filming introductions to shows to be aired the week of November 23 through November 27. Debbie Rush of Appomattox was Grand Prize winner in recent Birthday Card Contest sponsored by PM Magazine and one of the prizes she received was the opportunity of assisting with the direction of the show. In addition, she received a directors chair and had a wonderful time. Watch next week's TIMES VIRGINIAN for a feature story on Debbie's day as PM's assistant director. (Photo by Joe Vaughan)

Federal funds available

Federal funds for Special Education services are being made available to Appomattox County Public Schools for the 1982-83 session.

Application for these funds will be completed following a public hearing to be held on November 20 at 9:30 a.m. in the School Board Annex.

Information about the project application may be secured from the School Board Office. Comments from the public may be made in writing prior to the hearing by those persons who are unable to attend the meeting.

The revised Six-Year Special Education Plan will, also, be submitted to the State Department of Education by the Appomattox Public Schools following final approval by the School Board at its January meeting.

Copies of the plan and application will be available for review after November 20 in the School Board Office.

Father Darkleaf

By CALVIN ROBINSON

To publish a book is the dream of many writers, but how about 15,000 copies being sold before the book is actually available on the market! Appomattox native, Dr. Frank Hanenkrat, chairman of the English Department, Lynchburg College, has a new book soon to be available. It is called "Successful Shooting" and is another in growing list of his books on outdoor life. This time he has a co-author, Bill Pullum. Hanenkrat is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Frank Hanenkrat, Rt. 2, Appomattox. The 15,000 advance order is from Outdoor Life Book Club.

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As of Monday there have been 840 highway/deaths in Virginia this far in 1981, compared to 896 same time last year. Better, but even one is too many.

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Very little news from the young hunting season, despite forecasts that game was fairly plentiful.

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Saturday was flower bulb planting day on my portion of Martha Street. Had help available to do the digging we tucked away dozens of bulbs in Mother Earth hoping for a good show of tulips, daffodils, etc. next spring. How about you? It's time.

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I consider that ACHS had a successful football season and will do even better next year with many returnees.

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Weather comparison. I keep a record of porch thermometer reading as of 7 a.m. This month has varied from 34 to 51. On Nov. 9, 1979 was 31 and down to 29 on the 15th. A year ago, Monday, was 45. Two years ago was 44. Okeh, what's for supper?

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New resident on Martha Street. A neighbor has been given a solid white male cat. Name? Says is considering snowball.

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Note: There are thirteen pictures on the wall in the court room at Appomattox Court House. Should have a short biographical sketch of each, to show why so honored. And, please, somebody become famous so we can have fourteen.

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Hit the jackpot in the morning mail. A package from our friend, Mrs. William Bucksey (nee Hilda Mitchell, Appomattox) of House Spring, Missouri, containing the answer to a promise she made me during her last visit here. I had said that I would like to have copies of the London newspapers with their accounts of the royal wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana. Mrs. Bucksey took this as a project. Thanks so very much and I now have The London Daily Star, July 30; London Daily Express, special souvenir edition, July 29; Royal Wedding Edition of London Daily Express, July 30; the special Royal Wedding issue of London's largest daily sale paper, London Daily Mirror, and, finally, The London Sun, July 30.

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From now to Nov. 26 is all too short a time to make a list of things to be thankful for. But Thanksgiving is around the corner and betcha your list would be longer than you think. I am a 49er, having been married on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 24) 1932.

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Thanks for reading and seeya around.

Awards night planned

Camp 71 and Grove 6073, Woodmen of the World, will hold its Annual Awards night, Monday, November 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Woodmen Building.

Many of our local people, civic organizations, lodge members, and our 1981 State Degree Team will be recognized for their contributions and efforts in making our community a better place in which to live.

We request that all members make a real effort to attend this special occasion thus reflecting your support of your lodge in another of its community projects.

Marshall wins contest

Mark Marshall of Appomattox missed accurately predicting the outcomes of only three of 23 games featured in last week's **Times-Virginian** football contest and was declared the winner of the contest.

Marshall missed accurately predicting the outcome of the Appomattox-Buckingham game, the Maryland-Tulane game, and the Rustburg-Brookville game.

In a nine-way tiebreaker for second place, Thomas Harden of Appomattox was declared winner. His prediction of the exact score of the tiebreaker game were closer than the other eight contestants who, like Harden, missed accurately predicting the outcomes of four of the 23 contest games.

With Harden missing only four of the games were Todd Pickett, Dan Coleman, Rita Page, William Mann, Jr., Greg Mayberry, Raymond Bryant, Marshall Cheatham, and Alvin Garrett.

For his winning efforts Marshall will receive a check for $20 from the **Times-Virginian** and a free dinner at the Chicken Palace Restaurant. For second place, Harden will receive a check for $10 from the newspaper and a free chicken dinner from the Chicken Palace Restaurant.

Last week's contest was the last in the 10-week football contest series. The contest sponsors and the **Times-Virginian** thank the many contestants who played the contest throughout the season.

THE INSPIRATIONS, a popular and famous Gospel Singing Group, will appear in concert at Appomattox County High School auditorium on Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at Appomattox Drug Store, Appomattox Dairy Queen, and the Village Market in Concord. Tickets will also be available at the door the night of the concert. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Appomatox County Youth Association.